SENATE, No. 3444

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by: Senator PATRICK J. DIEGNAN, JR. District 18 (Middlesex)

SYNOPSIS

Requires NJT rail stations and bus and rail terminals to display historical information about area in or around stations and terminals.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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| 1 | AN ACT requiring all New Jersey Transit Corporation rail stations |
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| 2 | and bus and rail terminals to display historical information about |
| 3 | the area in or around the stations and terminals and |
| 4 | supplementing Title 27 of the Revised Statutes. |
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| 6 | BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State |
| 7 | of New Jersey: |
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| 9 | 1. As used in P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the |
| 10 | Legislature as this bill): |
| 11 | "Corporation" means the New Jersey Transit Corporation. |
| 12 | "Historic marker" means a marker, plaque, or tablet |
| 13 | commemorating a historic person, place, or event, or identifying a |
| 14 | historic place, structure, or object. |
| 15 | "New Jersey historic sites and memorials" means a location |
| 16 | where items of political, military, artistic, cultural or social history |
| 17 | have been preserved due to their cultural heritage value to the State. |
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| 19 | 2. The corporation shall identify a series of New Jersey historic |
| 20 | sites and memorials located within or around its rail stations and |
| 21 | bus and rail terminals and shall design, purchase, erect, and |
| 22 | maintain a historic marker describing the persons, places, and |
| 23 | events commemorated and having such other suitable inscription as |
| 24 | the corporation may deem necessary. |
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| 26 | 3. a. The New Jersey historic sites and memorials shall be |
| 27 | inclusive of all eras and diverse cultural aspects of New Jersey's |
| 28 | history, as well as be geographically representative of the entire |
| 29 | State. |
| 30 | b. The corporation may seek the assistance and cooperation of |
| 31 | local government officials and entities, owners or operators of |
| 32 | historic sites and memorials in the State, or entities that identify and |
| 33 | compile data on historical sites and memorials. |
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| 35 | 4. This act shall take effect immediately. |
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| 38 | STATEMENT |
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| 40 | This bill requires all New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJT) rail |
| 41 | stations and bus and rail terminals to display historical information |
| 42 | about the area in or around the stations and terminals. |
| 43 | The NJT is required to identify a series of New Jersey historic |
| 44 | sites and memorials, as that term is defined in the bill, located |
| 45 | within or around its rail stations and bus and rail terminals. The |
| 46 | NJT is then to design, purchase, erect, and maintain a historic |
| 47 | marker describing the persons, places, and events commemorated |

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1 and having such other suitable inscription as the NJT may deem 2 necessary.

The New Jersey historic sites and memorials must be inclusive of all eras and diverse cultural aspects of New Jersey's history, as well as be geographically representative of the entire State. Finally, the NJT may seek the assistance and cooperation of local government officials and entities, owners or operators of historic sites and memorials in the State, or entities that identify and compile data on

9 historical sites and memorials to facilitate the goal of this bill.